

REMARKS

Claims 15 to 31 are pending in the present application. Claims 15, 26 and 29 have been amended as discussed between the undersigned attorney and Examiner Patel on April 7, 2004. As indicated by the Examiner in the telephone conference of April 7, 2004, amended claims 15, 26 and 29, as well as their dependent claims 16-25, 27-28 and 30-31, are in allowable condition. Prompt reconsideration and allowance of the present application are therefore earnestly solicited.


The Office is authorized to charge any fees associated with this Response to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

KENYON & KENYON

Dated: 4/14, 2004

By:


Richard L. Mayer
(Reg. No. 22,490)
Tel. No. (212)425-7200

R. No.
36.1771

CUSTOMER NO. 26646
PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE